

CHAPTER 25

NEIL ROBERTSON STRETCHER

25-1. **GENERAL.** This chapter contains information about the Neil Robertson stretcher. This stretcher is authorized for use on US Army watercraft.

25-2. **PURPOSE.** This stretcher is designed for removing an injured person from engine room spaces, holds, and other compartments. This stretcher is used where access hatches are too small to permit the use of regular stretchers or litters.

25-3. **DESCRIPTION.** The Neil Robertson stretcher is made of semirigid canvas. When firmly wrapped (mummy-fashion) around the victim, it gives sufficient support so the victim may be lifted vertically (see Figure 25-1). To keep the injured person from swaying against bulkheads and hatchways while being lifted, a guideline is tied to the victim's ankles.

25-4. **STOWAGE.** Stretchers of this type should be kept onboard in appropriate places ready for use. If a Neil Robertson stretcher is not available when needed, a piece of heavy canvas, wrapped firmly around the victim, will serve somewhat the same purpose.

25-5. **PROCUREMENT.** Order the stretcher by the following: Stretcher, Neil Robertson (NSN 6530-00-783-7600).

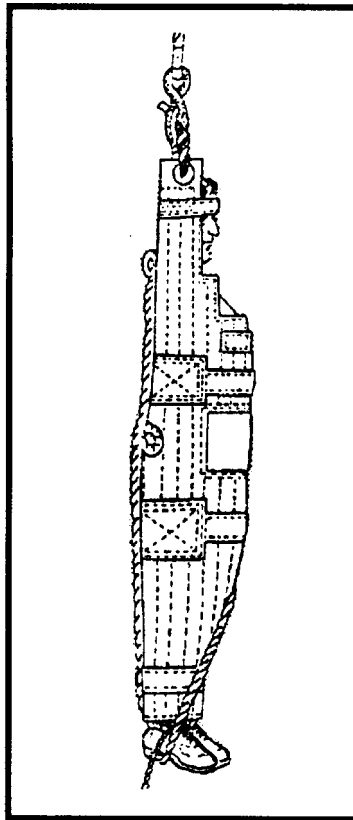


Figure 25-1. Neil Robertson stretcher